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- l. The boats are 66 feet long, 6 feet wide, and weigh approximately 45 tons. The power plant of the craft is a 2-cylinder engine with an indicated 70 horsepower at 1520 revolutions per minute and a speed of 7 knots.
- 2. At the end of the war, a number of these craft fell into the hands of the Chinese Communists, who used them principally as fishing craft, trolling with them in the Gulf of Chihli. In the early autumn months when the yearly catch is at its lowest level, they use the boats to transport cargoes to
- 3. The Fisheries have five of these boats. Two are in operation and three are under repair at Tangku. Source says that the engines on the ships under repair do not have the same horsepower as those now in use. The two operating vessels will leave soon for Korea with a cargo of Chinese medicines.
- 4. Crew strongth and wages: These vessels each carry a crew of ten when hauling cargo. When on fishing trips they carry two additional sailors each. Henbers of the crew are furnished food at a cost of approximately CMC 35,000 each per month for three meals a day at sea, The salaries below are in addition to this food allowance;

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